



DELMARVA AGRICULTURE DATA WEEKLY BROILER CHICKS REPORT

10/10/2001 BC-40-01

PLACEMENTS DOWN 4 %

For the week ending October 06, 2001, growers placed 9.6 million broiler chicks in Delmarva growing houses, according to the Maryland Agricultural Statistics Service. These placements were 4.0% below the comparable week a year earlier. Broiler-type chicks hatched (9.4 million) decreased 5.2% from the comparable week in 2000. Eggs set in incubators during the week totaled 13.1 million, an increase of 4.0% from the same week a year earlier. Federally inspected slaughter on Delmarva was 11.4 million for the week ending September 29, 2001 compared to 12.0 million slaughtered during the same week in 2000.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED ON DELMARVA

WEEK	EGGS SET 1/		CHICKS HATCHED 1/		CHICKS PLACED 2/	
ENDING	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
			 HOUSANDS			
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08/11/2001	13,253	13,278	11,108	10,989	11,108	11,042
08/18/2001	13,129	13,385	11,347	10,870	11,347	10,871
08/25/2001	13,099	13,589	11,323	10,923	11,322	10,926
09/01/2001	12,150	13,419	10,896	10,927	10,896	10,927
09/08/2001	11,992	13,247	10,727	10,908	10,730	10,911
09/15/2001	12,079	11,606	10,661	11,074	10,655	11,074
09/22/2001	12,942	13,479	10,074	10,970	10,077	10,970
09/29/2001	12,849	13,747	9,912	10,811	9,912	10,811
10/06/2001	12,636	13,145	9,960	9,439	9,958	9,556

^{1/} For all broiler-type chicks, including those intended for hatchery flocks.

NEGOTIATED PRICE FOR TRUCKLOT OF READY-TO-COOK, ICE-PACK, GRADE A FRYERS (\$ per CWT) 1/

WEE	WEEK ENDING			PREV.
	10/13/2001	WEEK	MONTH	YEAR
New York Weighted Avg	54.13	54.74	56.04	46.07
12-City Composite 2/	60.69	60.71	61.63	56.46

1/ Source: U.S.D.A., Poultry Market News.

^{2/} The difference between chicks hatched and placed includes chicks withdrawn for hatchery flocks, inshipments and outshipments. None of those numbers are published to avoid disclosure of proprietary information.

^{*} Revised.

2/ 12-cities: Boston/New England, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and San Francisco.